



Leaders host NCO Conference **CSAF, CMSAF meet with 50 sergeants to discuss issues**

Week of 15 March 07 - 22 March 07

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney J. McKinley spoke about how world politics and global events affect today's Airmen.

They briefed new initiatives, such as the Airman Battle Uniform, new Heritage Jacket, Combat Action Medal and the importance of getting new aircraft to accomplish the Air Force mission. The conference also gave the NCOs the chance to ask questions of the senior Air Force leaders. Questions ranged from why we're getting new uniforms in a time of war to personnel cuts.

As far as Force Shaping is concerned, they told the Airmen they didn't want to have to make the cuts to personnel, but there was no way the Air Force could maintain its standard of living, fight the global war on terror and prepare for the future and keep as many people as it had.

Notable quotes from the leaders:

- When you have an Airmen standing in their service dress standing next to Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who are in their service dress, by far, ours is the least military looking and that needs to change.
- The Combat Action Medal will recognize Airmen who have been engaged with the enemy. Earning similar awards from other services is commendable, but Air Force awards should be worn on the Air Force uniform.
- The Air Force will continue to fund education opportunities. Airmen should not have to wait until they've completed upgrade training before they can take advantage of those opportunities
- The Air Force has been deploying to fly and support combat missions for 16 years - longer than any of the other services. We've paid the price in blood, sweat and tears and we've earned the right to be proud of what the Air Force does.

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Roll call is designed for supervisor's at all levels to help keep Airmen informed on current issues, clear up confusion and dispel rumors, and provide additional face-to-face communication between supervisors and their teams.